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A HOUSE ARMED SERVICES SUBCOMMITTEE ANNOUNCED TODAY IT WILL LAUNCH ITS INQUIRY TUESDAY INTO THE DEFECTION OF TWO GOVERNMENT CODE CLERKS TO RUSSIA.

THE SUBCOMMITTEE, APPOINTED ONLY TWO DAYS AGO, ANNOUNCED THAT IT HAS SUMMONED 11 GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS TO CLOSED-DOOR HEARINGS.

THE HEARING WILL GET UNDER WAY 24 HOURS AHEAD OF THE CLOSED-DOOR INQUIRY WHICH HAD BEEN SCHEDULED LAST WEEK BY THE COMMITTEE ON UNAMERICAN ACTIVITIES.

THE HIGHLY SCHEDULED HEARING WILL BE CONDUCTED BY A THREE-MAN PANEL HEADED BY REP. PAUL J. KILDAY, D., GA. THE PANEL WAS APPOINTED BY ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN CARL VINSON TO MAKE A THOROUGH INVESTIGATION OF THE RECRUITMENT OF PERSONNEL BY INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES.

KILDAY SAID THE MEETING NEXT THURSDAY, WITH ALL 11 WITNESSES ON HAND, WOULD BE DEVOTED TO A DISCUSSION OF THE AREAS TO BE EXPLORED.

HE SAID THE PANEL WOULD DECIDE NOT ONLY THE SCOPE OF THE INVESTIGATION BUT WHETHER TO OPEN THE HEARINGS TO THE PUBLIC.

AMONG THE WITNESSES SCHEDULED TO TESTIFY ON THURSDAY AND SUCCEEDING DAYS WERE GEN. C. P. CABELL, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, AND ROBERT BANNERMAN, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF SECURITY FOR THE AGENCY.

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